

# FAQ

## 1. Who may access and use Google for Goddard?

Anyone on the Goddard intranet.

## 2. Can I use Google for Goddard to find *anything*?

Google for Goddard currently searches the highest priority web sites that (1) are accessible only within the Goddard intranet and (2) do not require special authentication for access. More non-access-controlled Goddard intranet web sites and documents will continue to be added to the main index. If there is a Goddard internal web site or document that you would like to have added to the main index, please send a message to [gsfc-search@lists.nasa.gov](mailto:gsfc-search@lists.nasa.gov).

## 3. What about access-controlled (e.g., ITAR) information?

Websites and documents that require specific authentication/authorization will *not* be included in the main Google for Goddard index that is available to anyone who has access to the GSFC intranet. The Google for Goddard team is currently developing and prototyping methods for creating separate, access-controlled indexes for private document collections. If there is a private collection for which you would like to have an access-controlled Google index, please send a message to [gsfc-search@lists.nasa.gov](mailto:gsfc-search@lists.nasa.gov).

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# What is Google at Goddard?

The goal of the Google project is to provide a comprehensive internal search capability for GSFC. Google at Goddard is a collaborative effort between the Offices of the Chief Knowledge Officer and the Chief Information Officer.

Based on the commercial web-based Google application, Goddard's Google appliance includes all of the features and format that you've come to expect from Google. Our search engine is only accessible through the internal Goddard intranet, but it can search both internal and external documents.

# How do I sign up?

You don't have to. Accessing Google at Goddard is as easy turning on your computer. If you are on the Goddard intranet, you can use Google at Goddard. **Just use the search box on the intranet homepage or type <http://google.gsfc.nasa.gov> into your browser.** Happy searching!

# Why did we spend money on this?

We had to. In an increasingly competitive scientific research and development world, the availability of information is a matter of survival - even for NASA. As a result, Goddard must maintain focus on its competitive advantage as home to the Nation's largest organization of scientists and engineers dedicated to learning and sharing their knowledge of the Earth, Sun, Solar System, and Universe.



**Google at Goddard enables us to share and access Goddard knowledge more effectively.**

# What can I find?

The internal Google for Goddard search will allow users to access:

- Goddard News items and events
- Operational manuals and procedures
- Standards (e.g., NASA Handbooks and other documents from the NASA Standards site and the Goddard Standards site)
- Scientific papers
- Non-sensitive project information
- Images by name or topic (e.g. "images hypernova")
- Maps (e.g., "Goddard map")
- Job postings
- Goddard Library publications
- And other non-restricted Goddard proprietary information.

Just go to <http://google.gsfc.nasa.gov> or type your search terms into the box on the intranet homepage.

# Technical Difficulties?

Please contact Stephen Waterbury, [Stephen.C.Waterbury@nasa.gov](mailto:Stephen.C.Waterbury@nasa.gov), x. 6-7557 in the Office of Information Technology and Communications

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